

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF YORK
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room, York County Finance Building, Yorktown, Virginia, on the ____ day of ____, 2000:

Present

Vote

Walter C. Zaremba, Chairman
James S. Burgett, Vice Chairman
Sheila S. Noll
Donald E. Wiggins
Melanie L. Rapp

On motion of _____, which carried ____, the following resolution was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND AND CONGRATULATE CHRISTI RAWLS ON HER SELECTION AS THE 2000 YORK COUNTY OUTSTANDING YOUTH OF THE YEAR FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

WHEREAS, the York County Youth Commission and the Board of Supervisors established the Outstanding Youth of the Year Awards Program to recognize the accomplishments and achievements of York County's youth; and

WHEREAS, Christi Rawls was nominated and has been chosen by the Selection Committee to receive the 2000 Outstanding Youth of the Year Award for Community Service; and

WHEREAS, Christi Rawls has demonstrated exemplary service to others, reaching beyond herself to touch the lives of people in her school, church, and community; and

WHEREAS, Christi's service at York High School is evidenced by her participation in the band where she plays clarinet and has also served as Field Commander; and

WHEREAS, Christi also serves as York High's student director for both the one-act play competition and the school's annual spring musical, selflessly devoting hours and hours of her time to these volunteer responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Christi's commitment goes beyond her considerable efforts to insure that these productions excel from a theatrical standpoint, and extends to the overall presentation and care for the well-being of the many students working as actors and as support personnel behind-the-scenes; and

WHEREAS, she always demonstrates a sincere concern and takes pains to insure that every student involved with the production finds his or her role to be fulfilling; and

WHEREAS, she routinely shuns receiving personal credit for these productions desiring that others be recognized instead, a quality so rare that it prompted her school principal to write, "Her heart reaches out to others even if it means less for her;" and

WHEREAS, Christi's exemplary service to her school and commitment to her fellow students was recently recognized when she was named York High's recipient of the York County School Division's Student Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Christi's service to her church family is shown by her involvement with the church orchestra which was begun over three years ago and in which she played a key role from the very start by recruiting other students to play; and

WHEREAS, she has also been observed by Church staff as someone genuinely concerned about others and as one who demonstrates the depth of her friendship by listening to her peers and encouraging them however she can; and

WHEREAS, Christi's commitment to community service grew from the example of her grandmother who began to take Christi with her to volunteer at the Watermen's Museum Gift Shop; and

WHEREAS, for the past three years Christi has been a tremendous asset as a volunteer summer Sales Assistant and special events worker for this well-known local non-profit organization, and is described by her supervisor as a "people person" who is not "caught up with herself...a giving person who is there for everybody," a description that is evidenced by Christi's outgoing personality, warm manner with others, and by her frequently going out of her way to help carry packages for older customers; and

WHEREAS, Christi has also been very active in the Peninsula Chapter of the American Diabetes Association, volunteering many hours of her time assisting in their projects; and

WHEREAS, Christi's aunt and uncle became her legal guardians when she lost her mother at the age of four, and through her close-knit family life she developed the values and desire to serve others that have become the cornerstone for her life; and

WHEREAS, Christi's example in school, in church, and in our community at large inspires her fellow citizens to greater service as she consistently expends time,

energy, and God given abilities to serve others rather than herself;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the York County Board of Supervisors this _____ day of _____, 2000, that Christi Rawls be, and she is hereby, commended and congratulated for being selected as York County's 2000 Outstanding Youth of the Year for Community Service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Christi be extended the heartfelt appreciation of the Board of Supervisors for her giving spirit and commitment to community service as well as the Board's best wishes for a continued meaningful and rewarding life of service to others.